

REMARKS

Consideration of the above-identified application in view of the foregoing amendments and following remarks is respectfully requested. By this paper, amendments were made to the specification and claims. As for the specification, it was amended to conform to the norms of practice before the United States Patent & Trademark Office. The headings were modified to accord with MPEP § 608.01(a) and 37 CFR § 1.77. Reference numerals were deleted from the "Summary of the Invention" section. Further, the full resin names were provided for certain abbreviated polymer resins on page 3.

As for the claims, they were amended to avoid multiple dependent claims. Claim 3 was amended to depend from claim 2 alone, instead of claim 1 or claim 2. New claim 4 was added, based on original claim 3, except that it depends from claim 1.

Applicant respectfully suggests that no new matter will be added to this application by entry of these amendments.

CONCLUSION

This application is respectfully asserted to be in condition for allowance. An early and favorable examination on the merits is requested. In the event that a telephone conference would facilitate the examination of this application in any way, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the number provided.

THE COMMISSIONER IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY ADDITIONAL FEES WHICH MAY BE REQUIRED FOR THE TIMELY CONSIDERATION OF THIS AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 AND 1.17, OR CREDIT ANY OVERPAYMENT TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 13-4500, ORDER NO. 4746-4000.

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